



The National Park Service seeks students, professionals, and other individuals from numerous academic disciplines and trades for a wide variety of internship, seasonal, and permanent positions available throughout the nation. Since its inception in 1916, the National Park Service has been dedicated to the preservation and management of this country's outstanding natural, historical, and recreational resources. Today, the National Park Service encompasses more than 390 sites across the United States and in Guam, Saipan, Samoa, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands. There are parks of great natural beauty and grandeur, such as the Grand Canyon, Denali, and Yellowstone; parks that preserve the nations cultural and historical treasures, such as the White House, Brown v. Board of Education, Mesa Verde, and Gettysburg Battlefield; and parks of significant national beauty along seashores, lakeshores, and riverways, providing opportunities for outdoor activities, such as Cape Hatteras, Assateague Island, and Lake Mead.

## Benefits of Working for National Park Service

- Serve America and work for a leading preservation bureau
- Live and work in beautiful, scenic places
- Do interesting and meaningful work
- Comprehensive life and health insurance
- Excellent vacation and sick leave benefits
- Family Friendly work policies
- Flexible workplace opportunities
- Leave sharing programs
- Flexible work schedules
- Tuition assistance available
- Great retirement benefits, including the Thrift Savings Plan (401K)

## Permanent Employment

Vacancy announcements are available on the Internet at [www.usajobs.gov](http://www.usajobs.gov). It is highly recommended that applicants get a copy of the vacancy announcement for the job(s) they are interested. For a listing of current openings, just go to the website, click on Basic Search, and type in "NPS." You must be a United States citizen to be eligible for employment

## Career Fields

- Administration
- Archeology
- Architecture
- Biological Sciences
- Community Planning
- Concessions
- Contracting
- Cultural Resources
- Engineering
- Financial Management
- Firefighting
- Fire Management
- Health and Safety
- History
- Human Resources
- Landscape Architecture
- Maintenance and Facility Management
- Natural Resources
- U. S. Park Police
- Park Ranger (Law Enforcement)
- Park Ranger (Interpretation)
- Park Visitor Use Assistant
- Physical Sciences

## Application Information

- Applications must be submitted for a specific job announcement
- DI-1935 Background Survey Questionnaire (Optional)
- Responses to knowledge, skills, and abilities as specified in job announcement and other material requested in job announcement

<b>Seasonal Employment</b>	<p>Every year millions of people visit our beloved national park areas. To meet the needs of visitors and help manage and protect park resources, the NPS hires approximately 10,000 temporary and seasonal employees annually. While temporary positions are available in a range of career fields, most jobs available are in the following categories:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Visitor Use Assistants</li> <li>• Biological Science Technicians</li> <li>• Seasonal Maintenance Positions</li> <li>• Park Guides</li> <li>• Park Rangers</li> </ul> <p>Some seasonal positions are advertised and filled centrally (call 1 888 279 9195). Many others are advertised directly by NPS Human Resources Offices around the country. Either way, all of our job openings can be found on <a href="http://www.usajobs.gov">www.usajobs.gov</a>, the official job site for the United States Federal Government. At that website, click on Basic Search and type in NPS to find a complete listing of our job opportunities and application procedures. Hint: Check back often, as new positions open regularly.</p>	
<b>Student Employment</b>	<p>Students may be hired through the use of a special hiring authority called the Student Educational Employment Program (SEEP). It is not a program to enroll in, but a special authority that allows supervisors to hire students without further competition. It is available to all levels of students: high school, vocational and technical, associate/baccalaureate/graduate/professional degree students. Students may be employed year round with flexible work assignments</p>	
	<p><b>Student Temporary Employment Component (STEP)</b> Job opportunities under this component offer you temporary employment. Employment can range from summer jobs to positions that can last for as long as you are a student. These employment opportunities need not be related to your academic field of study.</p>	<p><b>Student Career Experience Component (SCEP).</b> Valuable work experience directly related to academic field of study is offered to students through this component. It provides formal periods of work and study while the student is attending school. It requires a commitment by the student, the school, and the National Park Service. After successfully completing education and work requirements, the student may be offered a permanent Federal job.</p>
<b>Eligibility Requirements</b>	<p>Students are eligible under SEEP if they are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A student enrolled or accepted for enrollment as a degree seeking student (diploma, certification, etc.)</li> <li>• At least 16 years of age</li> <li>• Taking at least half-time academic or vocational and technical course load in an accredited high school, 2 or 4 year college, university, graduate or professional school</li> <li>• A U.S. Citizen</li> </ul>	
<b>Application Information</b>	<p>Students should directly contact and apply with the park or other NPS organizational unit for which they would like to work. In addition to providing the following information, students should mention that they are eligible to be hired under the Student Educational Employment Program:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Appropriate proof of school enrollment</li> <li>• Federal Style Resume or OF-612 application form</li> <li>• Current transcript showing grade point average in good standing</li> <li>• Proof of U.S. Citizenship</li> <li>• Proof of at least age 16</li> </ul>	

General Information Internet Sites:

Federal Job Announcements: <http://www.usajobs.opm.gov/>,

National Park Information: [www.nps.gov](http://www.nps.gov); Email address: [www.nps.gov/personnel](mailto:www.nps.gov/personnel)

Seasonal Law Enforcement Training: [www.anpr.org](http://www.anpr.org)

Cooperative Ecosystems Studies Units: [www.cesu.org/cesu](http://www.cesu.org/cesu)

Student Job Announcements: <http://www.studentjobs.gov/>

NPS Seasonal Job descriptions: <http://www.nps.gov/personnel/seasonal.htm>, call 1 888 279 9193

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